

NEWSPAPER

GHOSTS FIGURE IN A SUIT FOR RENT

Tenant Upheld by Court in Leaving a House Where Weird Noises Are Heard.

Landlord Sues a Man for Slandering His Property. Case is Not Yet Decided.

By Frederic J. Haskin. ... BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 22.—Last night a man broke his lease and moved out of a house in one of the best residential districts here, because he claimed he heard weird and unexplained noises that could not be accounted for. The owner of the house promptly sued for the rent, but the court upheld the action of the tenant. The owner sued for \$15,000 damages, asserting that his property had been slandered by the tenant's statements that the house was haunted.

This is one of the most unusual cases that has ever come up in any court. Both parties have strong and just arguments. The tenant was probably justified in moving from a house that contained inexplicable manifestations. It is all very well to say you don't believe in ghosts, but strange noises night after night are apt to get on your nerves. On the other hand, the owner was within his rights in attempting to hold the man to his lease, and in suing for slander, since accusations of this sort have often served to place a stigma on a house that has lasted for years. The most interesting feature of the case, however, is in the defense of the tenant's attorneys, who hold that no slander in regard to the property has occurred, because ghosts do not exist.

According to Judge O. A. Lucas, who is hearing the case, this is the first time that the question of ghosts has entered the courts of Baltimore, and it is doubtful if a precedent may be found anywhere in the legal annals of the country. So far, the outcome of the case rests with the ability of the owner's attorneys to produce a photograph or other tangible evidence of ghosts in court within a month; if this cannot be done, the suit will not be allowed to proceed.

Ghosts, their habits, their haunting grounds and their victims have been the cause of immense discussion and contention throughout history. Since the London Society of Psychic Research began its investigations, a haunted house has taken on a new prestige. It is more in the nature of a valuable possession, to be carefully preserved for future generations, than a horror and annoyance to the neighborhood. An enterprising business woman who keeps a roadhouse not far from Baltimore purposely spread tales concerning its spooky character—of a mysterious veiled female who always appears at midnight, etc. As a result the curiosity of the whole countryside is tremendous. It is one of the most popular resorts in Maryland and the income of the proprietor is an effective testimonial to the commercial value of ghosts.

It is not so many years ago that every town, village and hamlet had its haunted house—a forlorn and gloomy structure with rakish blinds and sunken doorsteps that sent an icy chill down the spine of each small figure that hurried past it on his way to school. For years such a house would stand an isolated monument to spooks, shunned even by animals, until it slowly fell to pieces or until some workmen could be induced to visit the grounds in broad daylight and tear it down.

Shortly after the civil war the inhabitants of a small village near Philadelphia were terrified by the regular appearance of an energetic ghost on the property of one of the foremost citizens that lay on a lonely stretch of road. Every night just as the village clock struck twelve a white figure was seen to appear in the front yard of the house, which was an old colonial structure, give a few flaps of its arms and utter a long plaintive cry that caused its hearers to shudder. No one could be persuaded to go past this house after dark, and those who through urgent necessity would have done so could not make their horses pass it. This was the state of affairs that existed when the owner of the property came home from war.

The owner was a sturdy young soldier who had encountered greater terrors than spooks on the battlefield and who refused to be impressed by any of the stories told by the villagers. When they had finished he asked only one question: "What had become of the stableman whose business was being run by a visiting relative? The stableman had gone on a business trip south the people said. A few nights later, alone and on the white horse he had ridden in the war, the soldier galloped off in the direction of his property against the fearful advice of his friends and the townsfolk. He had great difficulty in persuading his horse to enter the front yard of the house, but finally he drew him up in the shadow of a tree and waited for the mysterious specter to appear. He was not disappointed. Just as the reveberation of the village clock died away the front door opened and a white figure appeared, walking majestically down the steps and in the very direction of the soldier, who calmly cocked his revolver. "I'm going to count three," he told the specter in a steady voice, "and if you don't throw up your hands I will shoot." The ghost remained silent and steadily advanced; white, caused the soldier's horse to plunge madly about in a circle. At the end of three,

however, the soldier managed to shoot, and the white figure gathered its robes about it, tore off its mask, and fled. A few days later, the stableman appeared in the village with a bandaged arm, and from that time on the ghost ceased his midnight walks on the soldier's property.

In this case, the motive of the ghost was perfectly clear. Before the war the stableman wanted to buy the soldier's property, but the soldier did not care to sell it and therefore made the price prohibitive. The stableman thereupon conceived the idea of haunting the place and making it valueless so that the soldier would be glad to sell it at any price. Unfortunately, all that he gained was a great deal of lost sleep and perhaps the amusement of watching the scared villagers.

The desire to frighten people is born in almost everybody, at some time or other. Who has not, at some early period of his existence, delighted in jumping suddenly at people from behind a door or from beneath a table, making startling unearthly noises, and wearing hideous head-gear on Halloween? To this childish characteristic alone have been attributed several serious "hauntings" that have mystified people for centuries.

For example, many years ago, the Wesley family in England was troubled by an interlude of ghosts. The Rev. Samuel Wesley is principally known to posterity as the father of the John Wesley who founded Methodism, but he was also the father of seventeen other remarkable Wesleys. At the time the ghost made its appearance the family was living on the somewhat desolate Isle of Axholme. The boys were away at school and the household consisted of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley and seven daughters. The servant girl was the first one to be visited by ghostly manifestations which occurred outside her bedroom door in a long series of blood-curdling screams. At first the family laughed at her, but changed its mind a few nights later when knocks, groans and various peculiar noises were heard in different parts of the house.

For sometime the Rev. Samuel was neglected by the ghost, and was furious at his family for paying attention to what he termed the superstitious vagaries of a servant girl. After this, the ghost devoted most of his energies to annoying the Rev. Samuel until he became convinced and sent for two ministers to come and help him exorcise the devil from his house. The nerves of the family were reaching a precarious stage when the ghost disappeared as suddenly as it had come and the household was once more left in peace. While nothing was ever proved conclusively concerning the Wesley ghost, subsequent inquiry and investigation point to the activities of one Mehetabel Wesley, a girl of eighteen who had a lively disposition and a vivid imagination, quite capable of adopting haunting as a means of amusement.

In looking up the past records of ghosts, it is surprising to note the number that have turned out to be the creations of children. Now that the Society of Psychic Research is providing us with evidence of dissociated personality, telepathic current and the various mysteries of our subliminal selves, it is comforting to discover that the greatest spooks of the past have been unquestionably human. In the meantime, the Baltimore court is awaiting with interest the evidence of defendant's attorneys concerning the existence of ghosts.

BOARD OF EDUCATION GETS THE A. C. BAXTER PROPERTY

A formal transfer of the old A. C. Baxter home on South McDaniel street, to the board of education, was made yesterday. The property was purchased from William E. Harkly for a consideration of \$28,000. A 16-room grade building will be constructed on the site.

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Local auto enthusiasts are in receipt of invitations to the big Cleveland Automobile club's show. It will be the sixteenth annual affair of its kind, and will be held on December 30 to January 6. Fred C. Caley is secretary of the Cleveland club, and is sending out the invitations.

APPLY FOR YOUR TAG NOW

Auto Owners Are Not Going to be Kept Waiting This Time.

Clerk of the Courts Daniel H. Walker has been notified by the state automobile department that auto license tags will be sent out next week, and that it is hoped this year not to keep any applicants waiting for their tags.

"All any owner of an automobile has to do," says the letter from State Registrar Walker, "is to get his application into this office at once."

About 10,000 applications are on file for next year's tags. Nearly 250,000 tags were issued this year. It is expected that the average daily receipt of applications next week will exceed 5,000. Walker promised to find some way to take care of the applications no matter how fast they come in. This assurance from Walker will eliminate the fear of many motorists whose applications have been in file at Columbus for several days, but who were apprehensive lest they not receive their tags by the first of the year. Police chief, it is the new tag on New Year's day. Advertise your wants in The Times-Democrat for quick results.

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GOOD EVENING—It looks as though we are going to have to put up with an endless night this Christmas.

Raising phone rates seems only to have occasioned more talk.

Late shopping appears not to be so fashionable this year as it was in years gone by.

When a man looks over his coal bill these days he is certainly facing a serious charge.

There seems to be a few left who imagine that doing their shopping early means early this evening.

If they ever want to vote the nation dry New Year's day would be the best time to hold the election.

Christmas comes but once a year—and we never heard any sane man arguing that that isn't often enough.

Most any Lima man's idea of luck at the present time would be to marry a munition maker's daughter.

By actual count the leap year girl has just ten more days in which to procure for herself a life-sentence.

A few more peace notes and there'll be a lot of fellows on Wall street seeking divorces from their "war-brides".

The wise Lima woman doesn't "go it whole hog or none", and as a result she has a little saved for the January clearance sales.

The Chicago News declares that Santa Claus is a chump for not holding his gifts on the pretense that there is a shortage of reindeer.

The fact that Boston has a bean shortage is apt to take all the happiness out of the Yuletide season in that alleged hub of the universe.

Practically all of us enjoy the fact that Christmas comes on Monday for the reason that practically all of us hate to go to work on Monday anyhow.

Those ten Chicago sleuths who have started out to round up Kentucky moonshiners have certainly chosen an exciting way of spending the holidays.

The mere fact that the force in the business office, the entire editorial staff, every man in the composing room and all of the pressmen are more or less afflicted with heart trouble probably accounts for the failure of the considerate manager of this old purveyor of real news to announce a fifty-percent increase in salaries as a New Year present.

THE PASSING WEEK

That the spirit of Christmas pervades the world and makes itself felt even where the hand of the war God lays heavy, has been demonstrated during the week just closing in proposals of peace in Europe.

What may have been back of Germany's proposition, if it was not sincere, remains unfathomed. If it was sincere then to Germany is due much credit for having been the first to see the utter hellishness of the slaughter that has been going on for two and one-half years. England's rejection of all peace propositions at this time, and the declaration of Lloyd George that "England does not intend to put her head into a noose, the lines of which are in Germany's hands", fully explains her position and seems to have met with the hearty approval of both France and Russia. And that fact precludes any possibility of peace within the near future.

Insofar as our own part in the peace proposals may be concerned, President Wilson, again the same wise ruler that stands without a peer in the world today, makes our position clear when he says:

"The president is not proposing peace; he is not even offering mediation. He is merely proposing that soundings be taken in order that we may learn, the neutral nations with the belligerent, how near the haven of peace may be for which all mankind longs with an intense and increasing longing. He believes that the spirit in which he speaks and the objects which he seeks will be understood by all concerned, and he confidently hopes for a response which will bring a new light into the affairs of the world."

The week in our own country has been marked by that same joyous spirit which pervades it, even to every nook and corner, each year at this time. Large industrial plants throughout the country have been

more liberal than for years, and as the result of increases announced the American laboring men will receive a total of over \$200,000,000 more in wages in 1917 than was paid out this year.

The increased price of many of the necessities of life—a thing that invariably comes with unusual prosperity—is receiving the attention of the federal government. It is believed that further attempts at price-raising will be checked, and that the markets will, insofar as the food supply is concerned, shortly return to a normal stage.

Ohio has given herself over principally during the week to preparing for the holiday celebration. Both wholesale and retail dealers in all lines report an even greater business than for the same time last season, while the postoffices and express concerns announced record-breaking shipments. Ohio, on the threshold of another celebration of the birth of the Prince of Peace, is ready to close a year that has not been marred by a calamity of any kind, a year that has been among the most brilliant in her long and glorious history.

THE OPPOSITION

This week's issue of the Saturday Evening Post contains an editorial that is of more than passing interest, because it deals with a question most of us have devoted considerable study to. We often wondered why, if the politicians of the country are as patriotic as they tell the voters before election they are, that they do not join more heartily in helping the party in power do something for the country after the election. But here is the Saturday Evening Post's view of it, and it is self-explanatory:

"All last summer and autumn, you remember, the Republicans said it was very necessary to put the Republican party in power, because that party was not only much abler than the Democrats, but much more sincerely devoted to national well-being.

"As it happens, voters did not put the Republicans in power, but left the Democrats in that position, though by a very narrow margin in both houses of congress.

"Naturally the question arises: How are the Republicans now going to demonstrate their superior ability and higher devotion to national well-being?

"Will they put their ability at the service of the government, which happens to be in the hands of their opponents? Will they prove that they have statesmanship by assisting to the utmost in the dispatch of important public business and in a broad-minded solution of public problems? They are in a position where they may make a good deal of trouble to the nation in a hope that it will react upon the Democrats. Will they put national interest above selfish interest?

"In opposition the Republicans have the same opportunity to prove their ability and devotion that they would have in power. Why should either party have the face to ask public support if it will try wholeheartedly to serve the public only when it has won? Opposition can be constructive, progressive, patriotic.

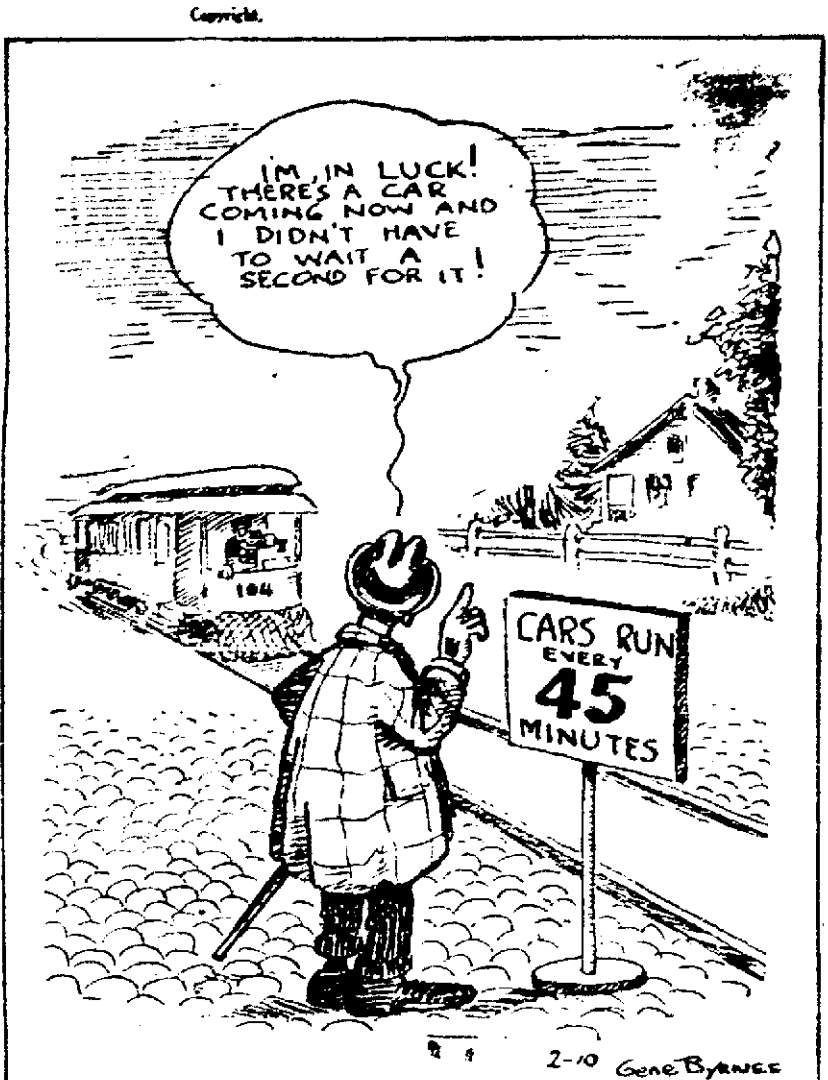
"If Republican opposition is not these, its campaign talk was obviously mere banqueting."

A BETTER WORLD

After all, the common aim of every worthwhile individual and organization on earth is to make the world a better place in which to live. Each church denomination has its way; each political body suggests a means of bettering civil conditions, each government puts forth a general plan; each cult and philosophy advances a different idea for attaining the much-sought end; each individual, it seems, holds an original opinion as to the proper procedure for bringing about perfect harmony and universal happiness. In a measure, says an Illinois editor, all are succeeding.

Common sense tells us that there must be a getting-together of forces if the common end is to be attained. One by one, intelligent persons are withdrawing from those human classifications which are haunting for trouble, and one by one these persons are aligning themselves with the vast crowd which seeks to accrete good-fellowship, common decency, progressiveness and old-fashioned honesty. This crowd says to the world: "Cut out the fussing over nothing at all and let's get together on the platform of common sense and with the really good against the really bad, wage a war of big love, and make the big world a big home of big hearts!"

THINGS THAT NEVER HAPPEN



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THE SAME OLD STORY.

Christmas—the same old story.
Sweet with its sweet old way;
The gifts and the songs and glory,
The spirit of youth and play.
Christmas—the fabled Santa.
The tree with its magic light,
The stars and the drums and trumpets,
The toys and the tinsel bright.

Christmas—no change forever;
The letters to good old Kris,
The arms of the little children,
And the tips that are sweet to kiss.
Christmas—the changeless beauty,
Older, and still so young
With its glory of childhood spirit
And its tales of the fairy tongue.

Christmas—the streets to show it,
The shops with their brilliant sight;
The windows of charm to glow it,
The festive and magic light,
Christmas—and still appealing
With its utter glory to men
As over their gray hearts stealing
Their boyhood comes again.

Christmas—the same old blessing,
The holy and lovely spell
Of tenderest trust and confessing
And the glory of all things well.
Christmas—the wondrous season,
As fresh in its joy today
As it was in the vanished visions
Of the childhoods far away.
—Baltimore Sun.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Rest spoils many a man who was willing to work.

A skeptic is a man who doubts some of his own stories.

What dew is to the flower kind

words are to the heart.

Lambs oft rush into Wall Street where old sheep fear to tread.

Fortunately there is seldom any need of brain in a love affair.

Oh, Liberty, what a lot of divorces are applied for in thy name!

Never kick a dog to which you have not been properly introduced.

A dog's bark may be worse than his bite, but give us the bark, please, just the same.

It's a fortunate thing for some men that their ancestors left them a honored name.

The man who considers himself a brick never boasts of being a common clay specimen.

It sometimes happens that the woman who is disappointed in love isn't disappointed in marriage.

A man must be in business with another man or married to a woman in order to discover that he doesn't know them.

When a man is found guilty of love in the first degree he should not kick if he and his accomplice are given a life sentence.

Christmas Gifts

FOR YOUR SON OR DAUGHTER.

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YEZD.

Travelogue by Nikkah.

Yezd is quite the most progressive and up-to-date city of Persia. It is not much of a goal for the traveler who seeks the exotic, the flavor of the Orient, or the atmosphere of Harun al Rashid's days, but it is interesting as an example of the possibilities and limitations of the modern Persian, and withal full enough of foreign flavor to satisfy the most exacting visitor.

In points of location, Yezd can boast few natural advantages. The city lies in a somewhat barren plain, where crops can only be raised to grow by the expenditure of much care and the judicious application of the water that is only obtained with difficulty. The water problem is in fact the worst that Yezd has to deal

with, for there are no streams with a dependable flow, and water even for drinking must be drawn from the melting snows of the mountains by artificial canals called kanats. In spite of this, the enterprise of the natives has made Yezd quite a producing center and a great point for trade.

Your citizen of Yezd is indeed a man of enterprise and energy, to a degree that shames most of his countrymen. He is of no narrow and provincial type; he is a far wanderer and voyager, a trader whose caravans tap the markets of Afghanistan and India, even of China, in spite of the hazards of robbery and the lack of any but the most primitive trade routes. You will find plenty of men in Yezd who have traveled more on their little-known half of the globe than many an Occidental cosmopolitan. Laden with opium and tobacco, with rare woods, rugs and copper pots, their caravans fare eastward

to return if Allah be kind, with no mean wealth, with tin and tea, with arms and jewels and the wares of the Celestial Kingdom.

Men who speak two or three European languages are not uncommonly found in Yezd, and the school systems are among the best in the Orient. The children are said to be unusually quick to grasp new thoughts and new languages. Many any English or German teacher has been astounded at the mentality displayed by little chaps of eight and nine, forgetting that your Oriental is a man at fifteen, and that his mind is set and fixed at an age when the Westerner's is just beginning to find its grasp of things. For all that, the people and the city of Yezd make one of the best impressions in the near east for intelligence and energy.

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Christmas in the Churches

In many of the city churches on Sunday, the music will be given over especially to the Christmas time and spirit. It is appropriate, at this time, the old Christmas carols should be sought out and sung for the edification of both young and aged.

The old Christmas story of the birth of the Saviour of the World in a humble manger in Bethlehem of Judea will be told in song, and will be listened to by hundreds of people, who will fill the city churches.

The spirit of Christmas is abroad in the land and nowhere will the cheery messages be heralded with more love and unselfishness than in these Christmas services.

Many of the church worshippers will take articles of food and clothing, wrapped in snowy, white paper and present these at the foot of the cross. They will be distributed on Christmas morning to those in less fortunate circumstances, to carry the message of Christmas love in a practical way to those who, it may be, would realize no other Christmas joys. Hundreds of families will be remembered in the glad story of "Peace on earth, good will unto all men."

The Christmas celebration at the First Congregational church will be held Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. The following program will be observed:

"Silent Night, Holiest Night"—The choir.

"Away in a Manger"—Beginners' class.

"Santa Claus Song"—Primary class.

Hymn, No. 60—Congregation standing.

A Christmas story—Rev. Chester S. Bucher, "The Gift of the Magi," by O. Henry.

"Lullaby"—Howard Shepard.

"There's a Song in the Air"—The Glad class, Loyal Workers.

(1)—The Shepherds; (2) The Manger; (3) Rock of Ages—Tableaux.

Anthem—"Hail Thou Long Expected Jesus."

Presentation of white gifts at foot of the cross by (1) Beginners; (2) Primary; (3) Loyal Workers; (4) Junior boys; (5) Glad class; (6) Crusaders; (7) Seniors; (8) Young Women's class; (9) Friendly Women's class; (10) Men's class, and the members of the congregation.

Christmas Treat for the Pupils—Santa Claus.

Intermission.

Two Reels—Educational motion pictures.

On Christmas morning at 5:30 o'clock, St. Paul's Lutheran church will hold a Christmas Matin service. The service will be a musical treat, the ancient plain song, the oldest form of church music, to be used. Special music by the choir, with Gilbert Dildine and Miss Grace Fisher as soloists and Miss Bonnie Linn as organist, will be rendered. The program is as follows:

Organ Prelude.

Hymn—"Joy to the World".

The Versicles.

Invitatory and Venite.

Hymn—"Hark! the Herald Angels Sing".

Psalm 85.

The Lessons.

Anthem—"Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring" (W. G. Shepherd).

Choir.

Sermon—"The Christmas Story".

"Te Deum in F" (A. M. Shuey).

Choir.

The Prayer.

Benedicamus.

Hymn—"Come Hither, Ye Faithful, Triumphantly Sing".

Benediction.

Organ Postlude.

The Christmas Festival service in St. Paul's Lutheran church will be held Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. The Sunday school will render the following program:

Processional—"Hark! What Mean Those Holy Voices".

Opening Versicles.

Psalm and Gloria Patri.

Carol—"The New-born King, Who Comes Today".

Responsive Reading—"The Promise Kept".

Carol—"Luther's Christmas Hymn", by Primary school.

Special Exercises—Primary grades.

Responsive Reading—"God's Gift to the World, and Our Gift to Him".

Special Exercises—Intermediate grades.

Carol—"It Came Upon a Midnight Clear".

Responsive Reading—"The Joy of Christmas".

Carol—"Beside a Manger Lowly".

Special Exercises.

Carol—"Little Children, Can You Tell", by Primary grades.

Brief Address—Pastor.

Anthem—Choir.

Carol—"Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne".

Closing Versicles.

Recessional—"Jesus Christ, Our Saviour".

A vesper service will be given by the choir of the Presbyterian church, assisted by Branson Harley Holmes, at Market Street Presbyterian church, at four o'clock Sunday afternoon. The following is the program:

Call to Worship.....T. Additional Carol.....Traditional The Annunciation.....Woodman Calm on the Listening Ear.....Gilchrist It Came Upon the Midnight Clear.....Gilchrist Star of the Orient.....Shelley Cradle Song of the Virgin.....Violin Obligate.....Buck Arise, Shine.....McDermid O Lamb of God.....Brewer Sing, O Sing.....Shelley

Vesper service program will be

given at 4 o'clock at the First Congregational church. Following is the program:

"Twilight" (Frysinger)—Organ Prelude by Raymond S. Oliver.

"Under the Stars"—Children's Chorus.

"Away in a Manger"—Children's Chorus.

Contralto Solo—Mrs. R. D. Kahle.

Sacred Reading—Rev. Chester S. Bucher. The Text of Handel's Messiah.

Baritone Solo—Donald Johns.

Duet—Miss Yoakam and Mrs. Mowen.

"March" on the theme of Handel (Guilmant)—Organ Solo by Raymond S. Oliver.

Contralto Solo—Mrs. C. E. Lynch.

"The Traveling Man"—Lady Gregory. Dramatic Reading by Miss Gertrude Brice.

Baritone Solo—Joel Repaz.

"Triumphal March" (Dudley Buck)—Organ Postlude by Raymond S. Oliver.

Silver offering received at the door.

Handel's masterpiece, "The Messiah", will be given at Trinity M. E. church at 7 o'clock, Sunday evening.

The chorus will be augmented and will be accompanied by an orchestra of fourteen pieces, organ and piano. The soloists will be Mary Winnifred Shaw, soprano; Mrs. Chas. A. Black, contralto; Roland B. Mikeseil, tenor, and Alfred Shumate, basso.

The public is cordially invited.

Grace Methodist Sunday school will give a delightful Christmas entertainment on Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. All scholars and members of the church are expected to bring their gifts, wrapped in white paper. The program is as follows:

Processional.

Hymn—No. 107—"Joy to the World".

Invocation—Pastor.

Address—"The Gift of Gifts", Rev. Dunham.

Presentation of Our Gifts—Beginners, Primary, Junior, Intermediate, Adult, Home Departments.

Song—"Dolls' Lullaby", First grade primary.

Exercise—Primary boys.

Song—"Dear Little Stranger", Third grade primary.

Pantomime—Junior girls.

Song—"Waking Out of Silence", Juniors.

Song—"Peaceful Night", First and Second grade Juniors.

Offering—Intermediate department.

Pantomime—"Hoy! Night".

Song—No. 2, "Come Thou Almighty King".

Benediction.

UNITED BRETHREN.

First U. B.

Spring and Union streets; O. E. Knepp, pastor; residence, 330 South Pine street. Sunday school Christmas program, 9 to 11 a. m. The service of the White Christmas will be rendered by the school. At 4 o'clock the choir will give the Christmas cantata, "Savior and King" by Porter. Silver offering. Christmas Christian Endeavor service following the cantata at 5:30. No other services Sunday.

High Street U. B.

High and Cole streets. G. W. Libby, pastor; 956 West High street. Bible school at 9:15; B. C. Frysinger, superintendent. At the close of the lesson study period, the pastor will read a delightful story, "A Christmas Gift", by Elizabeth F. Guptill. When the reading is finished, the smaller scholars will be given their treat. There will be no Junior service Sunday afternoon. Evening program given by the Sunday school will begin at 6:45 p. m. No Christian Endeavor service.

South Lima Baptist.

Pine and Kibby streets. Sunday school at 9:15 a. m.; J. C. Gallant, superintendent. Preaching at 10:30 a. m.; subject, "The Wonderful Christ". B. Y. P. U. at 6:00 p. m. Christmas service at 7:30 p. m. Program by the Sunday school. Bring your gifts to be distributed to the poor through the Sunday school to the church Sunday night. H. F. Dudley, pastor.

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Today In Lima Society

PERSONAL CHAT AND CLUB GOSSIP

MARIE N. NAGEL, Editor

Thus out of the East, that first Christmas, bearing gifts, rode the Wise Men. Let us, too, bear gifts, but let us be wise! Perhaps the first step toward wisdom will be to fill ourselves with the Spirit of Christmas, the deep purpose of service and good-will and peace.

—Margaret Deland.

With the coming of Christmas comes the week that marks the beginning and the end, or rather, the end and the beginning—of the year. But it marks neither the beginning or the end of the season for Milady Society. It marks the climax, perhaps, of the winter season, but that is all. A climax it will be in Lima society for the week is filled to every minute with pleasures for those who don't. Many bridge affairs are not yet announced but are being planned for, and many dances, which is really the most acceptable in the favor of the modern ones, have been announced and gay young persons are making preparations for them. Wayfarers will give the first dance, at their club rooms, Monday evening, the Tri Kappa will follow with another at the Elks' Home Tuesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Cleminger Thompson will entertain Wednesday evening at the Elks, and Thursday evening Miss Helen Wemmer will be hostess at the Elks. Friday the Annual Charity Ball will be held at Memorial hall, and Elks will hold their cabaret in celebration of New Year's Friday evening. On Christmas day and New Year's day the Lima club will hold a tea dance from 2:30 until 6:00 o'clock for the members. Masons will entertain with their annual Christmas ball at their temple, Thursday evening, December 28. Friday evening, the Elks of Fladway will open their new home and will celebrate with a dance. Many Lima people are planning to attend this affair for which elaborate plans are being made. It is a false impression that the society devotees tolls not, or spins. Consider the above program, and also that it is very incomplete, and change your opinion.

Miss Pauline Bowman arrived in Lima Thursday to spend the Christmas recess with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Bowman, of North Jameson avenue. Miss Bowman is a student at Miami university, Oxford, Ohio.

Mrs. Bess Longworth entertained last evening with cards at her home in the Thomas apartments. Christmas decorations were effectively used in the rooms, and a Christmas basket held gifts for each of the guests. Little Miss Imogene Prettyman gave flower favors before the games began, and at the conclusion, a delicious two-course lunch was served. Guests for the evening included Mrs. Mack Colt, Mrs. Frank Moke, Mrs. E. N. Zettitz, Mrs. A. P. Gray, Mrs. A. A. Schiewe, Mr. Glenn Webb, Mrs. Edna Miller, Mrs. Lester Pratt, Mrs. Sadie Knibely, Miss Minerva Musselman, Mrs. Elizabeth Mitchell and Mrs. M. M. Keltner.

The Masonic club will hold their holiday season dance at the Masonic parlors on Thursday evening, December 28th. Refreshments will be served and a five-piece orchestra will furnish music and entertainment. The dance will extend to a later hour than usual. All Masons and their friends, or invitation are cordially invited.

Mrs. F. M. Ise of 1132 Richie avenue, will extend the hospitality of her home for the meeting of the Ladies' Aid society of Calvary Reformed church on Wednesday afternoon. The hour of meeting is set for two o'clock.

Members of the Amity club were entertained yesterday afternoon at Mrs. E. E. Backus. The house was beautifully decorated with Christmas decorations, and the main feature of the afternoon, which was spent with music and needlework, was a Christmas exchange of gifts among the members. Mrs. Thomas won the prize of the contests. Mrs. C. C. Kennedy was the only guest of the club, which adjourned after a delicious tea served by the hostess at 5 o'clock.

George MacDonell who is a student at Harvard university, Cambridge, Mass., and James MacDonell, of Tulsa, Okla., will spend the Christmas vacation with Mr. and Mrs. A. T. MacDonell, of West North street.

Wimodausis circle members were entertained yesterday afternoon by Mrs. John Clizbe, at her home on West Elm street, assisted by Mrs. A. S. Bower. The afternoon was spent with games and music, and at the conclusion of the afternoon gifts were exchanged among the members. Holly and a Christmas tree were used for the decoration of the house. Mrs. I. W. Dower was the only guest of the club. A delicious two-course lunch was served by Mrs. Clizbe and Mrs. Bower at the conclusion of the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Curtis will have as their guests over Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hill, of Lorain, and Ralph Wheeler, of Toledo.

Mark Fuller will leave next Tuesday on a Christmas tour of the Ohio State university ice club of which he is a member. Glenn Fuller is a guest of the Rev. and Mrs. Fuller.

The home of the Rev. Ernest Anton Trabert and Mrs. Trabert, of

Daily Fashion Hint



By LA RACONTEUSE.

Lovely blouse fashioned in tan Georgette crepe with sailor collar, pointed cuffs and insert medallions of navy blue taffeta. Bonnet embroidery in navy blue outlines the medallions, the collar and cuffs affording a marl contrast.

Like many of the waists this season, it is fashioned so that it will harmonize with a suit, thus making it part of a three-piece costume.

548 West Spring street, will be the scene of a social meeting, to be held by the Boys' league of St. Paul's Lutheran church on Wednesday evening.

Ernest Shilling, pianist, who will appear here in recital at Memorial hall, Tuesday evening, January 2, will give the following program: Fantasy Schumann Variations and Fugue, Paderewski Nocturne E flat Bludes, A flat F major Chopin Passacaglia (Tosini) Blauchoet Vers 1 'Azur Stojowski Danza Catalana Danza Valencienne Spanish Military March, Granados Hark, Hark, the Lark Schubert-Liszt Rhapsody, No. 6 Liszt

Children of the Day Nursery were entertained today with a Christmas dinner, and a real Christmas tree and presents this afternoon at the Day Nursery on West High street. The rooms were gaily decorated with Christmas suggestions, carried out with streamers and holly. Mrs. E. H. Mitchell gave the dinner for the children, and gifts were donated by Mrs. Mitten's class of the Central Church of Christ, Mrs. Phillips class of the Olney Presbyterian church, Mrs. Jeanie Thompson's class, Miss Jessie Chenoweth's class, Mrs. Elizabeth Mitchell, Mrs. G. E. Brown, Miss Martha Galle, the Martha Washington club, the Santa Co., the Elks, Mrs. William Vandyke, Mrs. Samuel Wenden, Mrs. N. E. Michael, Mrs. Frank Boone, Mrs. Mack Colt, Mrs. Harry Harper and Mrs. E. A. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Elsie Richie of Cleveland, arrived yesterday to spend Christmas with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Seward, Greendale, Ohio, are the guests of Mrs. T. L. Seward, of West High street.

Mrs. David L. Kelly of South Cole street, entertained the Azende club at her home Thursday afternoon. Christmas decorations were used throughout the rooms, and prize of a contest was won by Mrs. Lloyd Moll. Members exchanged gifts. Tea was served by the hostess at 5 o'clock. Guests other than the club members included Mrs. Earl Armstrong, Mrs. Henry Titton, and Mrs. Lloyd Moll. Mrs. Holland West of Linden avenue, will entertain the club at its next meeting in two weeks.

Mrs. H. L. Courtney will entertain the members of the Alpha Gamma Delta club at her home Tuesday evening.

Miss Dolly O'Connor entertained the members of the Junior Library club at her home on West Wayne street this afternoon. A Christmas tree was the feature of the afternoon. An excellent program was given by the members of the club. The lesson for the day was in charge of Mrs. T. W. Hennessy who directs the club. The program was in charge of the officers of the club who are Clementina Colucci, president; Vera Smith, vice president; Dorthea McCray, secretary; Eleanor Colucci, librarian; Mary Wendock, assistant librarian. A delicious lunch was served by Miss Margaret O'Connor, assisted by Miss Mabel O'Connor.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Frey will have as their guests over Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Leatherman of Toledo.

Holmes Mackenzie who has been at Mt. Clemons for the past two weeks will return to Lima this evening.

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Mrs. J. B. Marshall of Buckland was the guest of friends in Lima, yesterday.

Mrs. F. L. Runyon has returned from Wapakoneta, after a brief visit with Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Combs.

Mrs. Runyon and her mother, Mary Re, were guests of friends in this city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Gleaves and family of Barnesville, Ohio, will arrive Sunday to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Gleaves of West Grand avenue.

Mrs. W. L. Koch, of 941 West Wayne street, will open her home on Thursday evening for a Christmas social, to be held by the Luther league of St. Paul's Lutheran church.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Whaley, of Arcanum, Ohio, arrived this afternoon to spend Christmas with Mr. J. K. Brice and family, of West Market street.

Paul Timmerman, who is a student at Cornell University, arrived Thursday to spend the Christmas vacation with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Mullen, of the Steiner Apartments will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Mullen, of Columbus Grove.

Harry Strassburg, of Detroit, will spend Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Strassburg, of West Elm street.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Danner and daughter, Martha, left today to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell, of Hillsdale, Mich.

Members and friends of the Epworth Methodist church are invited to a reception to be given Wednesday evening in the church parlors for the Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Holland.

Miss Pallene Hoover entertained the members of the N. B. O. O. club at her home on West Market street last evening. The house was beautifully decorated with Christmas colors, carried out with holly, ribbons, and mistletoe. A Christmas box was the feature of the evening, and was followed by cards and music. A delicious supper was served in the dining room, the table of which was decorated with a miniature Christmas tree. Guests other than the club members included Misses Hazel Boop, Frances Beattie and Helen King.

Mrs. Harry Nobel of St. Marys, was the guest of friends in this city yesterday.

Mrs. Walter Fleming of Wapakoneta has returned to her home after

Rodney Clark who is a student at

Ohio Wesleyan university, Delaware, from a brief visit with her parents, Ohio, is here to spend the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. May Delphin Clark of West Spring street.

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Simms have returned from Elida, where they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Hunter of West North street.

Under the direction of Mrs. F. H. Gepp, a Christmas party will be given at Mizpah Center Sunday afternoon. Several organizations have joined in the preparation for this. A large Christmas tree will be provided, and many gifts which will be given by different clubs, societies and individuals will be used to bring happiness to the less fortunate.

Mrs. C. C. Cramer and daughter are the guests of Mrs. E. F. Brown, of Van Wert.

Miss Ruth McClurg returned this morning from Bradley institute, Pe-

oria, Ill., to spend the Christmas recess with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McClurg, of South Metcalfe street.

Mrs. Anna Beutelspacher has returned from Celina, where she was the guest of her mother, Mrs. E. E. Cordier.

Mrs. J. B. Brubaker was the guest of her father at Napoleon several days this week.

Mrs. A. H. Benedict, of St. Marys is the guest of her mother in this city.

Students who have returned from St. Marys college, Dayton, to spend the Christmas vacation with their parents, are Joseph Leonard, Raymond Gorman and John Killoran.



G. E. BLUEM



Christmas Greetings to One and All

That you may have a very Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year expresses our season's greetings.

You have helped to make this a year of remarkable success for us, and we thank you. We trust the year has also been a prosperous one for you.

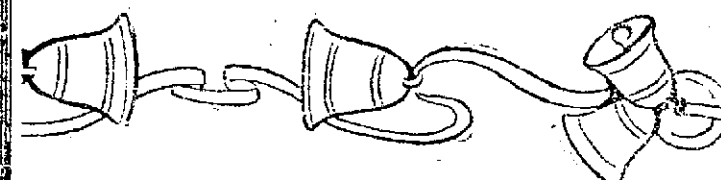


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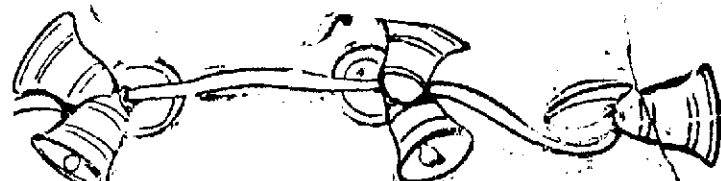


To All We Extend
BEST WISHES
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A HAPPY AND
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New Harman Building

The Kre-Mo Girl



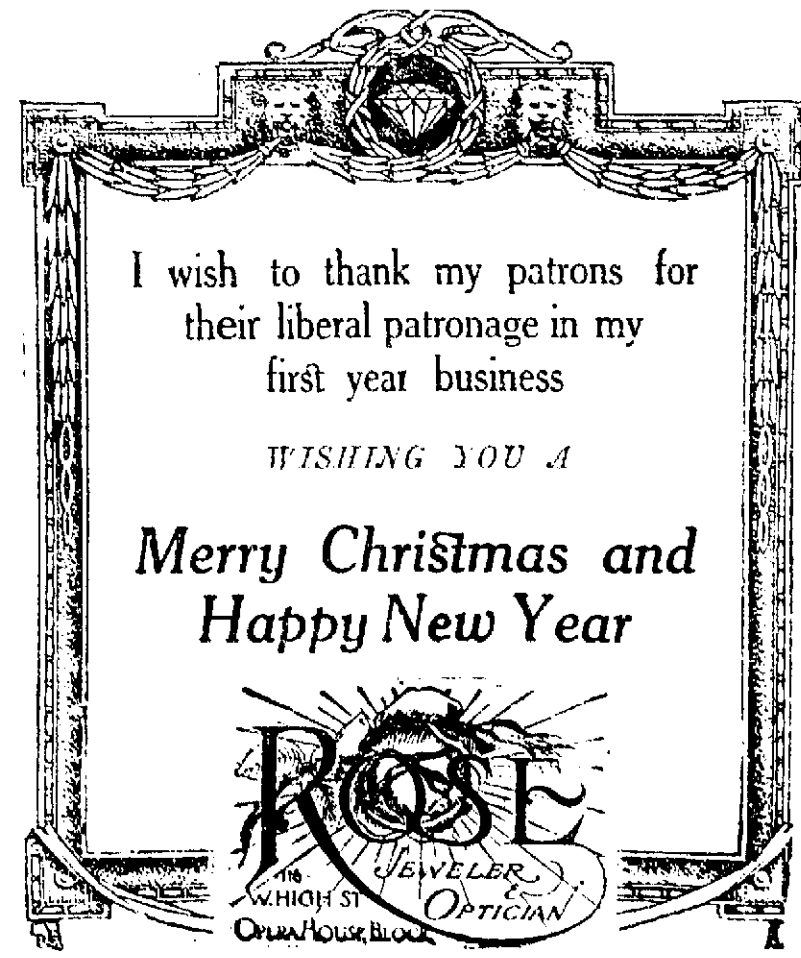
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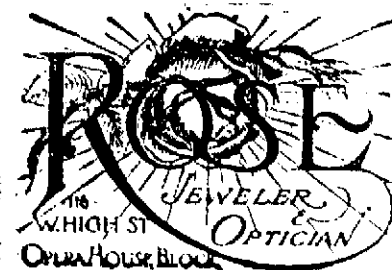
Your Grocer has KRE-MO



I wish to thank my patrons for
their liberal patronage in my
first year business

WISHING YOU A

Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year



SORROWING FRIENDS AT WHITLEY BURIAL

Large Concourse Attends
Funeral Held This After-
noon at the Elks' Home.

Every Detail Requested by
the Dying Man Is Carried
Out at the Final Services.

Every request made by the late Floyd C. Whitley, Lima funeral director, was carried out in final services over the body, held this afternoon at the Elks' home, of which organization he was a member. In the Lutheran hospital in Fort Wayne on Wednesday evening, as the shades of night drew nigh and Whitley realized that life with him was fast closing, he perfected every arrangement for the final services.

Long before time for the services, the Elks' home was filled with hundreds of friends of the deceased and of his family. At the Whitley home at 126 North McJannet street, where the body has been resting since arrival from Fort Wayne, a constant stream of people have called to pay their last respects to him who in life they knew and admired. The floral tributes were many and beautiful, coming not only from friends and organizations with which he was af-

iliated in Lima, but many were from out of town. The casket was held in a position of fragrant bloom.

Dr. M. B. Fuller of Trinity Methodist, pastor of the church of which the deceased was a member, gave the service. A quartette from the lodge of Elks' mounted music for the service, singing, as was Mr. Whitley's request, "Silent Night," "Kindly Light" and "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me."

William Hooks, employer and employee at the Whitley home for many years, was named by Mr. Whitley to prepare his body for burial and to be in charge at the funeral. He designated the kind of casket in which he desired to rest and Mr. Hooks made a special trip to Springfield yesterday to carry out the last request of his dead employer.

Representatives of the order of Moose, Tribe of Ben Hur and Mac-Tower chapter of the American Insurance Union, of which he was a member, attended the services. Lima lodge of Elks' was largely represented. Carrying the pall were Charles A. Hunt, George F. McHaffey, Kent W. Hughes, Harry L. Solomon, Harry O. Bentley and Robert Ewing, close friends and business associates of Mr. Whitley, whom he named for this duty. The body was laid to rest at Woodlawn.

JOHN HUTCHINSON QUILTS HIS JOB AS A JANITOR

John Hutchinson, who for the past four years has been an engineer in the Lima high school, tendered his resignation to Superintendent J. E. Collins yesterday. According to Hutchinson two of the boilers in the building are being overworked.



Scene in "The Making Over of Mrs. Matt," in which May Robson plays the part of the heroine, Friday evening, December 23.

OPEN HOUSE TO BE Y. M. C. A. FEATURE

No Formal Program But
Everyone Is Invited to
Pay Building a Visit.

Plans Being Made for Inter-
esting Entertainment On
Evening of January First.

The Y. M. C. A. building is taking on a holiday attire these days with the front of the building banked with Christmas trees and the interior decorated with holly. The decorating committee busied themselves last evening until nearly midnight and have not yet completed their task.

As Christmas is a home day, no program has been planned but the annual New Year's day open house, receiving special attention from the committee in charge and a program of unusual merit is being arranged.

Since the last New Year's day reception some very momentous things have occurred in the local Y. M. C. A. history. Seeing the beginning of the end of the regular regime, the present building has a vision of the new. Since January 1 last year a campaign for \$130,000 was successfully carried through and plans for the new building are now in the hands of the contractors.

Thousands of people in the city are interested in these plans. One of the features of the New Year's day program will be the stereopticon display of them. There will be many other interesting features in the program, which will be detailed later.

Constipation Makes You Dull.
That draggy, listless, oppressed feeling generally results from constipation. The intestines are clogged and the blood becomes poisoned. Relieve this condition at once with Dr. King's New Life Pills, this gentle, non-grating laxative is quickly effective. A dose at bedtime will make you feel brighter in the morning. Get a bottle today at your Druggist, 25c.

WARREN McLAUGHLIN NAMED

Local Attorney to be Assistant to the
Attorney General.

Word comes from Columbus today that Attorney General-elect Joseph McGhee has announced the appointment of those who will assist him after he takes office on January 3, and among the number is Warren J. McLaughlin, well-known Lima attorney. The appointment comes not only as a deserved one, but one that is pleasing to the hundreds of friends of Mr. McLaughlin in this section. He is made special counsel, along with Byron Harlan of Dayton.

Other announcements of appointment by Mr. McGhee are: Charles Follett of Cincinnati, who has been in the attorney general's office for the past six years, first assistant, at a salary of \$4,000; Stanley M. Call, of Portsmouth, second assistant, at a salary of \$2,500; James M. Schaller of Newark, receives the appointment as chief clerk, at a salary of \$1,500.

FOUR MORE PLUMBERS IN

Quartet Granted Licenses and Have
Given the Necessary Bonds.

Four plumbers were granted licenses today by the board of health. Chase, F. G. Shiede and the Lima Chase, F. G. Shiede and the Lima Plumbing and Heating company. The four firms gave the necessary bond before receiving their papers.

All plumbers in the city have now complied with the demands of the plumbing ordinance in regard to taking out licenses. Plumbing Inspector Ashton states that the ordinance will be enforced to the limit.

CHICAGO WOMAN CLEARED OF HUSBAND'S MURDER

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Iva M. Barnes, charged with the murder of her husband, James R. Barnes, a traveling salesman, was found not guilty by a jury in the criminal court here. The jury deliberated three hours.

Mrs. Barnes collapsed as the verdict was read. When she was revived the jurors congratulated her. Mrs. Barnes is the nineteenth woman acquitted of murder in Chicago since 1907.

RAILROADS RUSHED TO THE LIMIT NOW

One Train On Pennsylvania
Due Last Night Had Not
Arrived at the Noon Hour.

Traction Lines Operating
On Fair Schedule and
Traffic Is Unusually Big.

Trains on railroads passing through the city were operated pretty close to schedule time today, although the congestion due to the heavy mail and express business still impedes close adherence to the fixed time of the arrival and departure of all trains.

The Pennsylvania broke the record established by Erie on the first day of the snow storm, when the mail train due in Lima westbound at 7:25 o'clock last night had failed to arrive up to 11 o'clock this morning. The passenger section of this train arrived a short time after it was due last night.

However, other trains on the Pennsylvania and also passengers on the Erie railroad were chalked up from 20 to 30 minutes behind schedule time. Both C. & D. and L. & E. & W. trains were operated under the same conditions and all of the trains were reported somewhat late.

Both the Western Ohio and Ohio Electric railroad were swamped with business last night and today. The business was so far above the normal that chunks of the road found it necessary to place extra cars in service today. They will be continued in service until after Christmas.

CONTRACTOR ENDS GETS HARRISON A. B. ESTIMATE

Contractor Henry Knack received the final estimate on Harrison avenue yesterday from City Auditor. The final payment was \$1,083.65. The total amount paid the contractor for the paving of the street was \$15,100.73.

BANK EMPLOYERS GET A GIFT

Lima Trust Company Gives Each
Man 10 Per Cent Increase.

Employees of the Lima Trust Company, about 15 in number, had their hearts gladdened this morning when an announcement was made that the directors of the company had decided to give each man an increase of 10 per cent in salary. This increase comes effective with the first of the year, and comes as a Christmas present that is not only a surprise but a happy event in the lives of the company's faithful employees.

The big institution has met the prospect that is now, national, and following its custom of former years it desires to have that prosperity with those in its employ.

DELPHOS STARTS PETITIONS

Weeks to Secure Election to Vote on
the Commission Plan.

Those people who are interested in the proposition to change the form of government in Delphos started a petition Saturday for the signature of voters. The petition, which requests that an election be called by the city council at which the subject of the proposed change will be submitted to the people, will be presented to the council at its regular meeting next Tuesday evening.

It is necessary that the signatures of at least ten per cent of the voters of the city be attached to the petition when it is presented to the council. Those who are favoring the plan say they will have no difficulty in securing the required number. In fact, they say that they and the people of the city unanimously in favor of the idea.

New Auditorium

Opening Dance—Xmas Day, 2:30
and 8:30 p. m.
Regular Dances—every Tuesday,
Thursday and Saturday evening at
8:30 p. m.
New High St. entrance, opposite
Post Office. Fine large floor. Aus-
timated Orchestra. 12-21-31

AMUSEMENTS

AT THE FAUROT

MOTION PICTURES.

Today and Sunday—Pathé Frederick in "Nanette of the Wilds"; Bray Cartoon, "What Happened to Wilbur"; the Pathe News; "Mutt and Jeff."

Tuesday and Wednesday—Robert Connors, Mabel Trunnelle and an all-star cast in "The Martyrdom of Philip Strong"; Burton Holmes' "The Lower Nile"; the Pathe News; the "Katzman-Kids."

Thursday and Saturday—Viola Dana in "The Gates of Eden"; Paramount Photographs.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC.

Monday Matinee and Night—"Mutt and Jeff's Wedding," Gus Hill's new musical comedy, built around Bud Fisher's cartoons.

Friday Night—May Robson, distinguished American actress, in her new comedy, "The Making Over of Mrs. Matt."

AT THE ORPHEUM

Sunday—Great live-reel motion picture feature, "The Prince of Graceland," with Bryant Washburn and Marguerite Clayton featured. Also vaudeville.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday—Special Christmas Day attraction: The musical comedy star, George Damerel (late star "Madama Sherry" and "The Heart Breakers") in the big Keith feature, "Temptation." Three other vaudeville features.

Thursday, Friday, Saturday—Great special feature, "Dream of the Orient," a spectacular dancing act. Four other high class vaudeville acts.

THE FAUROT'S PICTURES.

Paramount and Metro photoplays divide the week with straight and musical comedy at the Faurot. On account of the engagement of "Mutt and Jeff's Wedding" on Christmas day, the Paramount feature for Sunday and Monday has been moved up today and Sunday.

This brought to the Faurot today the popular and accomplished stage beauty, Pauline Frederick, who appears in her latest screen success, "Nanette of the Wilds." This is a play of the Canadian northwest. It was written by the eminent author and actor, Willard Mack, who also appears in the production in the leading male role. Miss Frederick again compels admiration for her acting in a role that is far different from the society drama in which she has made such a marvelous record. She is supported by a cast that is just about perfect and the Famous Players have given the thrilling story staging and photography that will delight the eye. There are many scenes of action, bravery and heroism. The feature is accompanied by cartoon and news films of decided interest.

Two notable contributions to literature were "In His Steps," and "The Crucifixion of Philip Strong," by the Rev. Charles M. Sheldon, which created a profound impression at the time of their publication. With these two great stories as a basis, a photoplay has been produced called "The Martyrdom of Philip Strong," which will be seen at the Faurot on Tuesday and Wednesday. It is presented on the Paramount program and the leading roles are acted by Robert Connors and Mabel Trunnelle. Those two distinguished screen artists are supported by a cast that includes Janet Dawley, Helen Strickland, Olive Wright, Edith Wright, Bigelow Cooper, Frank Lyons, William Wadsworth, Herbert Prior and Brad Sutton, many of whom are well known to a generation of picturegoers. There is a resemblance to "Ever Woman" and "The Servant in the House" in this striking picture, which is one of the very few that can put forth a strong impression without losing the interest of an amusement-seeking audience. It will be accompanied by Burton Holmes' "The Lower Nile" and a new edition of the Pathe News.

For Thursday, and again on Saturday, the Faurot will offer the elaborate Metro production, "The Gates of Eden," with the gifted young actress, Viola Dana, in a dual role, showing the part of a mother and daughter. The picture has created more interest than the ordinary average of picturegoers, which a moviegoer's picturegoer receives from the regular and the management of the Faurot and the picturegoers who are interested in the picture. The picture is a story of a girl who is a mother and daughter. The picture has created more interest than the ordinary average of picturegoers, which a moviegoer's picturegoer receives from the regular and the management of the Faurot and the picturegoers who are interested in the picture.

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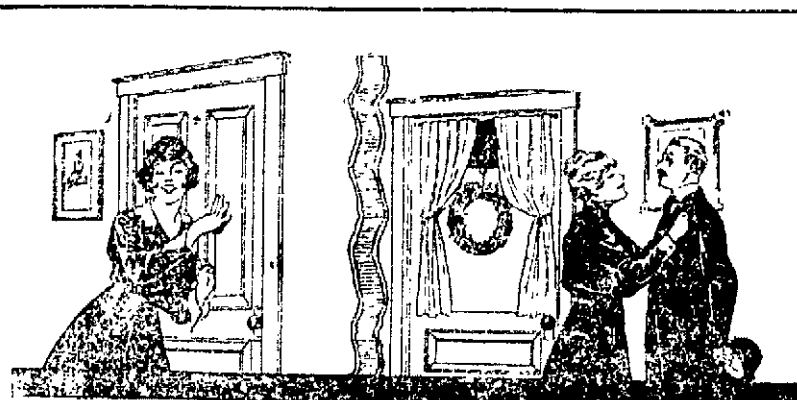
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Our Wish

That this Christmas
season bring to all that
Peace on Earth, Good
Will Toward Men, that we
may enjoy of the joy the
children with their shouts
of laughter, this Merry
--Merry Christmas.

OUR THANKS

to you who have made
our Christmas a joyous
one.

NEUMAN & KETTLER

WISHING OUR MANY FRIENDS
AND PATRONS A

Merry Christmas

— AND —

Prosperous
New Year

B. S. Porter & Son

Greetings

We are gratified today—as never before—for we feel that we have been in position to serve better the needs and demands of our patrons, than ever before.

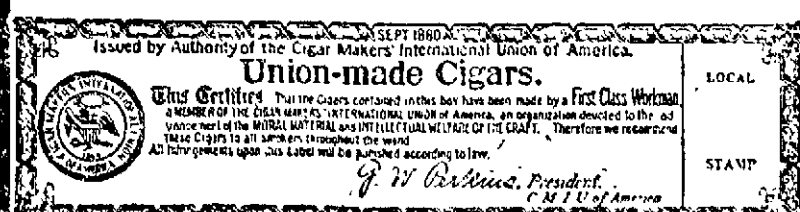
We wish you

A Merry Christmas

THE LIMA COLLATERAL LOAN COMPANY

120 West High St. Ground Floor

This Label Means Equal Wages for Women



Smoke Union Made Cigars

100

Church Leaguers To Play Tonight

Changes Will Come About In Standing
After This Evening Contests; First
Game To Start at 7:30 o'clock

CHURCH LEAGUE STANDING.

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
German Reformed	2	0	1.000
Grace M. E.	2	0	1.000
Market Street	2	0	1.000
Central	0	2	.000
First Christian	0	2	.000
South Side	0	2	.000

TONIGHT'S GAMES.

Central vs. South Side.

First Christian vs. German Reformed.

Market Street vs. Grace M. E.

If tonight's scheduled games in the Church league are carried out, there are bound to be some changes made in the race for the cup. Either Central or South Side are sure of pulling out of the cellar position, with one or the other still lodging in the dungeon. Should the first

Christians succeed in downing the Germans, the latter five would be credited with their first defeat in the league standing.

Two of the first place teams will appear each other in the final game in the evening. Followers of the game look forth for one of the most interesting contests of the Church league season when these two teams hook up. Last year the Market Street aggregation pulled down the hunting, with the Grace team a close second, and is the probable cause for the interest being shown in this game. This year's Market Street aggregation is practically a reconstructed team, with only two or three of last year's men among the squad.

The first game tonight is scheduled to start at 7:30.

All Ohio's Here On Xmas Day

College Stars To Appear On Visitors
Lineup For Holiday Games; Powers
And Buscher In Local Lineup

Particulars of the Christmas Basket Ball Contests.

Contests: All Ohio vs. Ellerman
Cadets.

When: Christmas Day.

Number of Games: Two; afternoon
and evening.

Time: 2:30 and 8:15.

Where: Cadet Hall, East Spring
street.

PROBABLE LINEUP.

All Ohio	Cadets
Henry.....R. G.....Powers	
Tressell.....L. G.....Dickey or	
	Farrell
Smith.....C.....Baker	
Hosler.....E. F.....Buscher	
Leuthner.....L. G.....Miller	

Something that the local basket ball fans have never been treated to in this city will be pulled off Christmas Day. Will Harmon, manager of the fast Ellerman Cadet team, has booked an All-Ohio basket ball five for two games here Christmas Day. One of the games will be played in the afternoon and the other in the evening.

The Collegians bring with them nothing but high class basket ball tossers. Henry and Tressell, who formerly played on the Washington and Jefferson University eleven will be with the Ohio team and will work at guard positions.

Hosler, of the University of Pennsylvania, and Leuthner, from Ohio State, will be used as forwards. It was learned last evening that Leuthner refused a trip with the State basket ball five to make this round. Smith, at one time an All-Ohio center, will endeavor to take care of the tip off position.

Fans will get a glimpse at another real basket ball player when they see Jack Powers in the local line-up. Powers is a well built man and will probably be a big surprise to some when they see the big guard in action.

"Red" Buscher, Ottawa star, assures the management that he will be back in the line-up for the Christmas games. Buscher is a good drawing card and has certainly been putting up a clever brand of ball so far this season. Practically every

game that "Red" has participated in with the Cadets this season, he most generally has two men playing him, which speaks for itself that he is a much-feared man.

Miller, who has been showing much class in the cage line here of late, will be back at his old forward position, working with the "Red" top.

Baker, the said lanky demon, will be beyond all doubts, be seen at the center position. In the last three games Baker has been playing the game of his life, and in these contests has totaled 15 baskets. Baker has a keen shooting eye which probably has been overlooked in other years.

Farrell and Dickey will round out the team to oppose the All-Ohio's. Those two lads will probably play alternate, in order to give all the local players a chance to see what they can do against the visitors.

The Cadets have gone to a big expense both in getting the Ohio's here and in advertising, and the fans should show their appreciation.

WILLARD HAS TEN DAY THEATRICAL ENGAGEMENT

By turning out for both games in large numbers.

The afternoon contest is scheduled to start at 2:30 with the same in the evening beginning at 8:15. The game in the evening will be followed by dancing.

FIGHT RESULTS

TOLEDO.—Jack McCarron beat Gus Christie in 12 rounds. Peg McMahon knocked out Johnny Gelmar in two rounds.

ST. LOUIS.—Young Joe Gans beat Leo Johnson in 12 rounds.

Bike Race To End This Evening

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Shocking marked traces of their grueling arduous, the riders in the six-day bicycle race at Madison Square Garden today were pushing toward the finish. The race will end at 11 o'clock tonight.

Madden and Root are leading for point honors, having secured a low score of 11 1-2 points as a result of the daily sprints. McNamara and Spears are second with 12 points, and Hill and Drobach third, 21 1-2. The Root-Madden and McNamara-Spears teams are expected to furnish the fireworks in the heat spring to decide the winner.

At the one hundred and twenty-eighth hour, 8 a. m., the six leading teams had gone 2,316 miles, 5 laps, with Cameron leading, Smith and Kopsky, Lawson and Mitten and Thomas and Olt were one lap behind, while the Eaton-Lyman and Olt-Bella teams were two laps in the rear. The riders are 150 miles behind the record made in 1914.

COLLEGIATE NEWS.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—The Pennsylvania University foot ball eleven is en route to Pasadena, Cal., to meet the University of Oregon eleven on New Year's day.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Yale's basket ball five lost to the Crescent A. C. 23 to 20. Lehigh defeated New York University 20 to 20. Princeton's quintet defeated Rochester University 41 to 9.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—More than 100 entries have been received for the junior indoor national tennis championship which opens here next Tuesday. Many collegians are among the entrants.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Yale's hockey team humbled the St. Nicholas even here 4 to 2.

GET WISE.

Help reduce the high cost of But-terine. Buy Scheene or Empire. THE WM. F. NUMAN CO.

Read today's want column.

SAYS SHERIFFS WINK AT MOONSHINE STILL

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 23.—E. C. Yellowley, internal revenue agent in charge of the Atlanta district, charges that county sheriffs do not co-operate with revenue agents in running down moonshiners. All too often the moonshiner is protected by the county officials.

In those counties where federal revenue agents have the co-operation of the sheriff and his deputies moonshining is almost unknown. In other counties, where the local officials wink at the illicit manufacture of whiskey, moonshine stills are running almost night and day.

Mr. Yellowley declares some sheriffs laugh at requests of the revenue officers for assistance.

"There are some counties where the federal officers will go five miles out of their way in order to avoid being seen by the county officers," said Mr. Yellowley. "There are 19 different state laws being violated by moonshiners, yet action is taken only by the government, based solely on its revenue enactment."

To Stop Self-Poisoning.

For furred and coated tongue, biliousness, sour stomach, indigestion, constipation and other results of a fermenting and poisoning mass of undigested food in the stomach and bowels, there is nothing better than that old-fashioned physic—Foley's Cathartic Tablets. Do not gripe nor sicken; act promptly. H. F. Vertkamp.

Stiff, Sore Muscles Relieved.

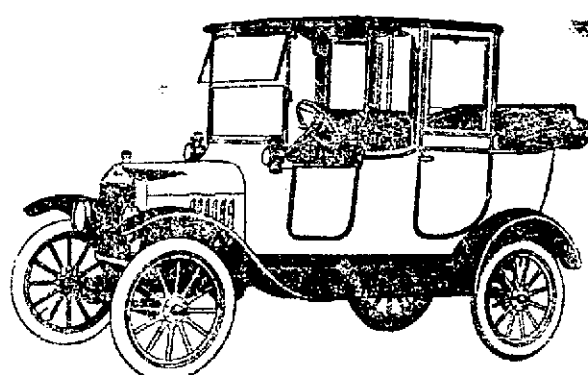
Cramped muscles or soreness following a cold or case of grippe are eased and relieved by an application of Sloan's Liniment. Does not stain the skin or clog the pores like mussy ointments or plasters and penetrates quickly without rubbing. Linger on your muscles and aches of rheumatism, neuralgia, lumbago, strains, sprains and bruises with Sloan's Liniment. Get a bottle today. At all Druggists, 25c.

WELL-FILLED STOCKINGS SENT TO UNFORTUNATES.

Nineteen stockings filled with good things for Christmas have been sent to children in the warring countries of Europe with the proceeds of the special offering collected last Sunday in the First Congregational church. At the services in that church last Sunday, the amount of \$9.58 was collected, which was spent for things to fill these stockings.

FOR SERVICE, CALL PHONE RICE-5963

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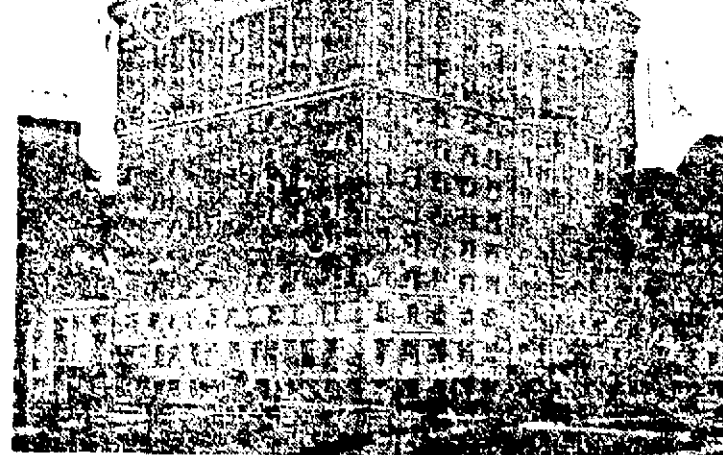
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Take a Box with you on your

Tinker And Wilson Are New Owners of Col. A. A. Club

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Joe Tinker, deposed manager of the Cubs, and Thomas E. Wilson, Chicago pitcher, are the new owners of the Columbus club of the American Association.

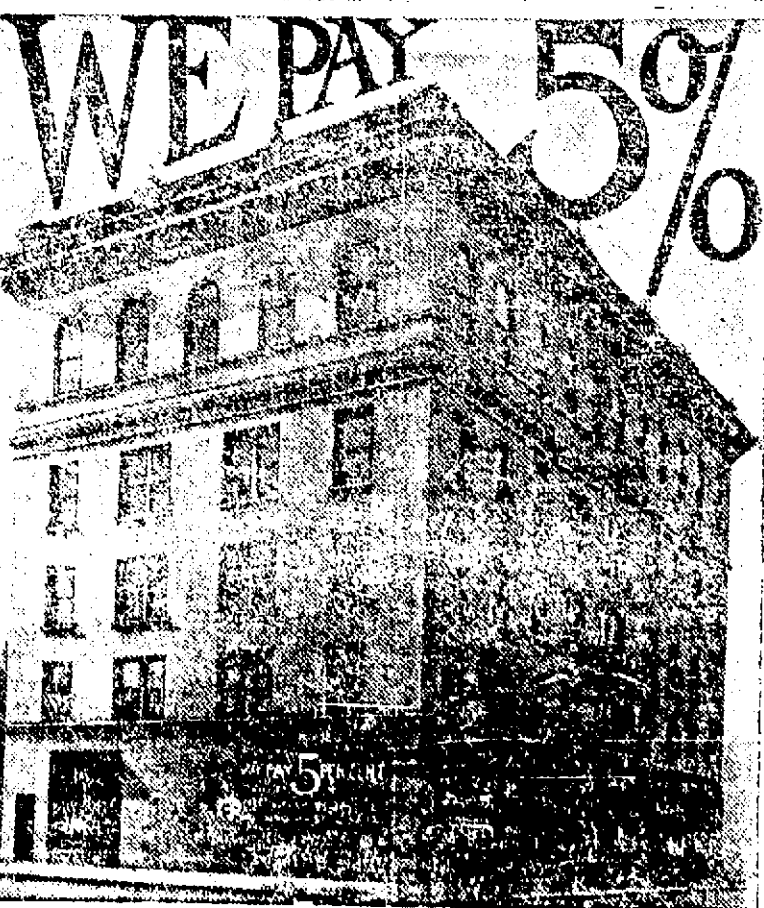
Part payment to bind the deal has been made in Columbus by Tinker and the deal is to be concluded January 3. The price was \$45,000. Tinker not only will manage the team, but may play shortstop.

"I am very glad Tinker has succeeded in getting the club," said President Weeghman of the Cubs. "There will be no trouble getting his release from the Cubs. He can have it any time he wants it."

BROWN HAS THREE MATCHES BOOKED FOR NEXT FEW DAYS

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—George K. O. Brown, the Greek middleweight, is on his way to Pittsburgh today. He has three matches booked for the next few weeks and if he comes out ahead in all will try to get first crack at Les Darcy, the Australian. Brown in two lone fights with Darcy in Kangaroo land, was not knocked down and made the best showing of any American boxer who tackled the Antipodean champion.

Brown tackles Walter Monahan for six rounds in Pittsburgh tonight. On New Year's afternoon he is scheduled for a ten round go with Billy Miske in Brooklyn, and on January 18 he hooks up with Battling Levinsky for 12 rounds at Youngstown, Ohio.



THRIFT TIPS.

A man does not have to be a "tightwad" to be thrifty. The thrifty man not only saves, but he spends wisely and gives generously. Faithfully write down every cent you spend. Put some common sense into the care of your own money. Spend less than you earn and get the THRIFT HABIT. We pay 5%.

NEWSBOY'S DINNER TONIGHT

Future Business Men Are "All Set" for Gus Kalb's Annual Feed.

All is in readiness for the annual dinner to newsboys to be given this evening in the Masonic hall by their tried and trusty friend, Gus Kalb. The little merchants have all

registered, and indications are now that the attendance will be ahead of last year. At any rate, the boys have grown to know something about the "feats" that Mr. Kalb's generous purse provides for them, and this season several who he'd back last year will be among the first ones to reach the hall tonight.

The dinner is to start promptly at 6 o'clock. The menu is so extensive the average paper hasn't room to

print it, and there are several features. It is not advisable to mention as the host desires to spring them as a surprise upon his army of future business men.

FANCHIER FACES COURT; GOES TO GRAND JURY.

Richard Fanchier, arrested on a charge of obtaining money by padding the pay roll of the D. T. & I.

railroad company, appeared in Justice Morris' court yesterday and waived examination and was bound over to the grand jury under a \$100 bond.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Nove and his mother, of South Atlantic avenue, went to Huntington, Ind., to spend Christmas with Mrs. Paul Nove's mother and sisters.

For results—TIMES want ads.

HOLD COURT CHRISTMAS DAY

Judge Jackson May Want to Give a Few Little Presents.

Police Judge Jackson, stated this morning that he will hold court Christmas morning, as he believes there may be some locked up that he would want to dismiss and give them

the full privileges of the holidays. However, those whom he sees should stay in the dark cell will have to be held, and will only receive as their Christmas dinner the usual bread and water.

Three were arraigned in criminal court this morning, all being arrested on the same charge, drunkenness. One was fined \$1 and costs, one dismissed and the other expected to be dismissed sometime today.

CENTURY OF A PIES

AT MOUNT GILEAD.

MARION, Ohio.—John Butler Denman, who celebrated his birthday November 1, died today of complications of age at Mount Gilead, Morrow county. He had been bedridden three years. He was an uncle of W. H. Denman, of Lima, president of the Cardington club.



To those whose friendship we have cherished in the past,
To those whose friendship we have recently gained,
To those whose friendship we strive to deserve,
We send these

GREETINGS:--

May your Christmas be merry and filled with the sincere affection of those who love you.
May your New Year be happy and filled with the greatest prosperity of those you love.
And may the loving kindness of the Christmas tide so soften the hearts of the world that all the Nations may hear once more the angel's song of

"Peace on earth, good will to men"

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